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WHEREAS, federal law requires hospitals to be reimbursed at a rate that is reasonable and adequate to meet the costs which must be incurred by efficiently and economically operated facilities; now therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-105(a), is amended by adding a new subdivision as follows:

(12) Reimburse hospitals at a rate that is reasonable and adequate to meet the costs which must be incurred by efficiently and economically operated facilities in order to provide care and services in conformity with applicable state and federal laws, regulations and quality and safety standards and to assure that individuals eligible for medical assistance have reasonable access (taking into account geographic location and reasonable travel time) to inpatient hospital services of adequate quality. The state shall not seek a waiver of the reimbursement rate standards found in 42 U.S.C. §1396(a)(13)(A), for hospitals, commonly referred to as the Boren Amendment. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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